Mr. K. T. Mathew.—What is the reason for the delay of two years?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—We are watching the developments of similar institutions in other places, and only after having sufficient experience of that, could the Government launch upon this scheme.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Did the Government publish that fact in the Proceedings when the resolution was passed in the Council?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—I do not exactly remember the lines of the Proceedings. The file concerned is not here, and so I want notice.

Reduction in the number of trees tapped for toddy and arrack sold.

86. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to state the annual percentage of reduction in (1) the number of trees tapped for fermented toddy and (2) the total number of gallons of arrack sold in the State in the last seven years?

Mr. C. V. Antony.—The Member is referred to statements 2 and 3 appended to the answer to question No. 421 of the Legislative Session of 1104.

Opening of a new road in Kunnamkulam.

87. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to inform:—

(a) whether the opening of the lane or road referred to in question No. 156 of the Budget Session of 1101 and question No. 157 of the Legislative Session of 1103 and question No. 257 of the Legislative Session of 1104 and which the Government have admitted to be necessary for the safety of the lives of women and children has been taken up for execution; and if not,

(b) what is the reason for not taking up this important work?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—(a) No.

(b) For want of funds. Government is not quite convinced of its importance as made out in the question.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Did not the Government admit in this Council that the road is necessary for the safety of the lives of women and children?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—I do not think Government has admitted that in so many terms as the Hon'ble Member put it.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to refer to the answers given to questions 156 of 1101 (Budget Session), 157 of the Legislative Session of 1103 and 257 of the Legislative Session of 1104? They will find from those answers that they have admitted that.

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Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—All these questions have been referred to in answering this question.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Then may I know what have they admitted ?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—They have admitted the usefulness of the road in question, but not in terms as stated by the Hon'ble Member.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government consider the opening of that road since it is found to be useful ?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—O, yes.

Pazhanji L. S. School.

88. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether there is a Government Lower Secondary School at Pazhanji ; and if so,

(b) whether it is being conducted in Government building; and if not, when will the school be shifted to a Government building ?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—(a) Yes.

(b) The school is conducted in buildings provided for the purpose by the local public.

Publication of orders on the resolutions passed in the Legislative Council.

89. **Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Government have any objection to publish in the Gazette the Malayalam translation of the Diwan's Proceedings on resolutions passed by the Legislative Council ; and if there is any objection for doing so, state what it is?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Government have no objection.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be doing so hereafter ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Government have no objection to do so hereafter. If Hon'ble Members ask for it, and if there is a demand for it, Government will do it.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Do Government require a written request or only an oral request ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—An expression only is necessary.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Then I want it.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—Then certainly it will be attended to.

Exemption of salt from duty.

90. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—(a) Will the Government be pleased to state whether in British salt is

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